PATENT APPLICATION

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James Rudolf MEYER et al.

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LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired December 27, 2006, an extension of time for a period of 2 months is hereby requested. A one-month extension of time having been previously paid on January 29, 2007, attached hereto is our Check No. 189953 in the amount of \$330 in payment for:

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